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Tuesday 13th  
November 2018

Stepping Hill  
Hospital,  
Stockport

## The 15th Annual National Conference organised by Professionals & Parents in Partnership

### Speakers and topics you can hear this year

• **Wendy Bellis** is a dentist with decades of experience working with children with ASD and learning disabilities. She speaks to both parents and professionals about how to encourage and maintain **healthy teeth care for people with ASD**.

• **Gina Davies** has worked in the field of Special Educational Needs as a speech and language therapist for over 20 years in both clinic and education and family settings. Gina is passionate about delivering joyful and motivating speech and language therapy that has at its heart a real understanding of communication, the impact of autism on learning and the need to involve the children in dynamic and engaging activities. Hear Gina **empowering us with excellent Behavioural advice**.

• **Sarah Denman** is a Nordoff Robbins music therapist based in Manchester offering music in 3 SEN schools and an NHS mental health unit within a hospital. Sarah will help us to understand **'What is Music Therapy and what is it's value for people with Autism'**.

• **Deb Gale** is Workforce development senior officer for SMBC primarily working with and alongside adults with learning disabilities and/or autism and supporting Stockport's Adult Autism Strategy. Deb will update us on Strategy and moves to make Stockport more Autism Friendly

• **Chris Hoyle** has been working with children and young people with autism for over thirty years. She trained as a Speech and Language Therapist at the University of Newcastle and worked for the NHS in Stockport for many years before joining The Together Trust in Cheadle. It was whilst working at Inscope House School that Chris trained as a Sleep Practitioner, 13 years ago and this sparked off her interest in sleep problems and led to the development of the Autism Sleep Clinic service. Chris now coordinates two sleep services, working with parents and professionals to improve the sleep of children with autism. The sleep services have been shortlisted for several national awards including the National Autistic Society Professional awards 2018. Chris will present a workshop on sleep.

• **Charlotte Moore**, Journalist, Parent & Author of 'George & Sam' will again join us to chair & share her experiences.

• **Justin Price** has a wealth of experience in Special Education. Currently a head teacher at Freemantles a large school specifically for children and young people with complex autism with 184 pupils, which also leads extensive Outreach and Training Services which supports over 900 children in the west of Surrey. Hear Justin talk on **'Better Sex and Relationship Education in Schools with Autistic Pupils'**.

• **Gail Spruce** is an Inspector with Greater Manchester Police and has been a Police Officer for 25 years. Gail's interest has always been focussed on the right and proportionate Criminal Justice outcomes for offenders which led to her launching Restorative Justice as a disposal within GMP and writing national policy on the subject. Gail has recently undertaken to train all of GMPs Custody staff in "Autism Awareness". Gail will look at how we **'Treat Vulnerable People in Custody'**

• **Peter Vermeulen**, MSc and PhD in Psychology and Educational Sciences. Peter has worked with people with ASD and their families for more than 30 years. Senior lecturer at Autisme Centraal, Belgium a training and education centre for autism spectrum disorders. Peter is an internationally respected lecturer/trainer and he presents all over Europe and beyond. Hear his inspired views on **'Autism and Wellbeing and Happiness'**

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Delegate pack, lunch & refreshments throughout  
and a CPD Certificate (if required).

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Registration 08:30 - No refund after 11th October 2018

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